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GEORGE DILLEN REPUDIATES ALLEGED CONFESSION

REBUTTAL EVIDENCE INTRODUCED AND CASE NEARLY READY FOR JURY

In all probability the fate of George and Lena Dillen will be in the hands of the jury some time tonight. At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon the prosecution completed its introduction of rebuttal testimony whereupon District Attorney Frank T. Dunn announced that the state closed. Judge Averill then ordered the jury into retirement while the district attorney and Joseph T. Murphy for the defendants were instructed to present their instructions to the court. The court thought that it would require about two hours before the instructions would be ready to be read to the jury.

A night session of the court will be held. The opening argument will be made by Deputy District Attorney Ryland G. Taylor, and he will be followed by Attorney Murphy for the defense. The closing address will be made by District Attorney Dunn.

With the opening of court this morning Attorney Joseph T. Murphy, in the Dillen murder trial, recalled George Dillen to the stand for further direct examination. The defendant testified where he worked at the rooming house in Bakersfield and where his wife worked in a store at the time of their arrest in that town. He said the officers asked him if he knew anything of the murder and that they examined him several times. He denied any knowledge of the crime. "The gun I had in my room at Bakersfield," said witness, "belonged to Jim Rios. He brought it into the Globe rooming house and gave it to me. I was in the second tier of the jail here. Zampatti was in the tier below me. I talked to Zampatti from above. My wife was in the jury room and I could hear her crying. I went with officers and Rios to the still, and heard Rios say that I was the one who killed Williams. I denied it before the officers and Rios." Defendant then told of visits of Deputy Sheriff Van Vleet to his cell and to visit in sheriff's office and of talking to Sheriff Thomas. He told of his visit to the district attorney's office with Van Vleet. He said at this point that his alleged confession as testified to by Van Vleet by him voluntarily and without promise of reward, was made up and that he didn't say it. He said: "I did not kill Wallace Williams."

Witness was thereupon turned over to District Attorney Dunn for cross-examination. He stated that he met Wallace Williams on the 18th of April and that they started to make moonshine about the middle of June. "Both of us made money. I did not make any confession to Thomas. Was trying to find out if they knew anything about the crime. Didn't confess to Thomas or Van Vleet. Next day was taken before district attorney and introduced to Mr. Dunn. Thomas came in and left. Van Vleet said, 'Go ahead with your story.' I told Rios story. Believed that they were keeping attorney from me. Had no callers. Don't know what became of Wallace Williams. We ran several batches together as the trade demanded. Nobody ran still but Williams and I."

"Did you run any the day of the fire?" Answer: "No. Someone run one batch that night. Williams was to have run it. I stayed home the night of the fire. I went to bed and got

up at 11 o'clock next day. Had nothing to do. Williams was not in to breakfast. The car was out in front of the Globe. Had told my wife he would not use the car. Expected him to go out to the still and thought he got pinched. Williams had a letter about car not having a license. I went to still alone and found six quarts run and more to run. Then came back. Williams didn't show. Rios and I went to still. Am positive Williams run one batch and did not expect him to go away, but he had no reasons to leave. I wanted car for Williams to go to the hospital. Went to still with Rios on August 25th. Was at the still alone on the 24th as it was not necessary for two men to make the run. I never had a gun out there, but it is customary for a bootlegger to carry a gun. Rios had made threats to Fred Baron who told me Rios had threatened me. Rios went out with me on the 25th. I had a gun and Rios had none. Rios was at wash putting sand in a jug. I asked him what he meant by these threats and he started toward me. I fired a shot over his head to scare him. I then started away from him. He went to cabin, got his hat and started for town. Said: 'I did you not say that the man thing that was bothering you was whether your wife was true?' witness was asked: 'Is it not a fact that the story told by Rios is the same as told by you?'

"No," answered defendant, "I never saw Williams after August 25, the night he was to go and run the still. I never made any statement to you (Dunn) that Rios had told you Williams was intimate with my wife. Don't know anything about the watch belonging to Williams. I never sold the still to Zampatti when I left. I did not own the still. Did not have any fear when in your office and all you said was made friendly."

"When you came back from the still the morning you left for Blair Junction one-half hour later, why did you leave?" "I left because I wanted no trouble with Rios. Saw funny stuff going on around the house. Ordered Rios to leave the house until he could act like a gentleman. Went to Bishop because Rios broke jail there. Did not change name."

On redirect examination defendant stated in answer to questions from Attorney Murphy that when he started to tell Dunn and Van Vleet about Rios and what Rios said they stopped me and said what another says is not evidence. Was afraid in jail. Was afraid of being tried without a counsel. Didn't know of death of Williams when I was in Bakersfield."

At this juncture the birth certificate of Dillen was introduced in evidence, which was October 13, 1902. Witness stated he had never been arrested before. Said he told Rios to try and find out what he could. Admitted he said he had three defenses. Made no statement that Rios had unloaded the shells. Stated Van Vleet gave him a drink after the confession. At this point defendant stated he never told how many defenses he had.

This ended the cross-examination and Van Vleet was called in rebuttal. Admitted giving defendant a drink after Dillen had been taken to Dunn's office. Told of visit of Dillen and wife and himself to Frazier well. Said he was told of Rios giving Mrs. Dillen watch by placing it in her pocket and that later Rios dug a hole and Mrs. Dillen put the watch in the hole and Rios covered it up.

Annie Peregrino was the first witness called in rebuttal by the state. She testified that she knew Mrs. Dillen. "Did she make any statement to you that her husband George Dillen, was leaving Tonopah." Answer:

"She did. Mrs. Dillen said that George was leaving because he had received a telegram from home that his mother was very ill and that she took George out of town."

The state next called in rebuttal Mike Woodbridge, the hoisting engineer and realty owner and a resident of Tonopah for many years. He testified that he was part owner of the upper Frazier wells, and rented this place to Lee Bell who collected the rent. The rent was paid on July 6 and on August between the 14th and 16th; in September between the 4th and 8th. The rent was not paid after August 8, probably the 6th. Lee Bell paid the rent. "I called in October for the rent," states witness, "and Bell told me the people had gone and had given up the place. The rent was up the 4th of each month. I never gave a receipt, the rent was always paid in cash."

Sheriff Thomas was next called in rebuttal and testified that Jim Zampatti was never in jail during October and September, and at no time during his administration had Zampatti ever been confined in the county jail. Witness stated that Zampatti had told him he knew where watch was buried.

Don Lewers was the next witness called in rebuttal, and testified that he had been around the jail considerable during September and October. "Jim Zampatti was not in the jail," stated witness, "during that time, and to my knowledge had never been in jail." When asked if Dillen had asked for an attorney at any time, witness stated he had. "He asked for an attorney after they were returned from Bakersfield, and I told defendant, said witness, 'that I saw Murphy at Round Mountain and delivered message to Murphy that they desired him for their attorney, and he told me to tell them he would be back shortly. They said they were willing to wait for the return of Attorney Murphy.'"

"Did you ever ask the Dillens for a receipt to make gin?" Answer: "I never did." Witness stated she knew Jim Zampatti and that occasionally he called at her residence.

The cross-examination of Mrs. Lena Dillen was concluded at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She stated that on August 23 she and Dillen and Rios talked over the disappearance of Wallace Williams, and concluded that he had gone out blind baggage as he had often threatened to do. She stated that George then asked Rios to go out to the still and help run off a barrel of mash but the she objected by saying she thought he would have had enough of partnership as every partner he had associated with had become indebted to them.

As was expected Attorney Murphy for the defense called George Dillen one of the defendants to the witness stand. Witness started out by reciting in detail the history of his life. He said he was born in Arenuck county, Michigan, October 13, 1902. He lived on a farm with his parents until 1915 when he went to Detroit to make his home with two sisters. He remained three years in that city working at various lines of employment. He then returned to the farm for a short time, when he decided to go to Chicago. From there he went to Omaha and from there to Minneapolis. At the latter place he worked for a firm handling supplies for railroad camps. Shortly thereafter he went to Devils Lake, N. D., and from there went to Minneapolis. From there went to Butte, remaining one night, and then proceeded to Spokane. His next move took him to Yakima, Wash., where he picked apples and did railroad work. He then went to Portland, and later to Jefferson, where he secured four days' work. From there he

EXECUTIONS BY FREE STATERS STILL IN ORDER

Four Railway Men and Three Laborers Pay Death Penalty for Train Robbery

DUBLIN, Dec. 19.—Four railway men and three laborers were executed here today for interfering with trains in the County Kildare and seven men were captured November 13 by the Free State Troops. With them a quantity of stolen goods, rifles and ammunition was found. The men were tried by a military committee and sentenced to death on the charge of train wrecking. All are reported to have been members of the Republican army.

PHARMACY BOARD IS PROBING SALE OF DOPE

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—Investigation by the State Pharmacy board into the sale of narcotics to prominent members of the Hollywood movie colony has been progressing for three weeks, according to a statement by Louis Zeh, secretary of the board. "We are not concentrating so much on users as we are on sellers," Zeh said.

"While we have determined drugs are being supplied to prominent members of the motion picture industry, it would be a libel on Hollywood to say there was any concentration of selling and consumption of narcotics there," said Zeh's statement. As a matter of fact evil may be far worse in other places in Southern California and elsewhere because our investigations are meeting with great difficulties in other places, while we have been given more or less a free hand in Hollywood. The board is investigating the Wallace Reid case, but only in connection with the sale of drugs to those in the motion picture colony who use them. It must be emphasized the colony as a whole is not under investigation, and with the advent Mr. Will Hays into motion picture industry the drug evil in Hollywood has been abated to some considerable degree.

jumped to Oakland where he worked in the shipyards. In a short time he proceeded to Pasadena where he was employed in a garage for six weeks. His next move was to Taft where he was employed from May until September on pipe line work. Was thrown out of work at the time of the strike of oil workers, and got work digging cesspools. He then got acquainted with Jim Quinn, known as "Buffalo," and formed a moonshine partnership. Insisted he had never before been mixed up in any scrape. Business did not flourish and they quit making illicit whiskey. He then heard of still for sale in the country and it was at that place he met his present wife. She made him a partnership offer in the whiskey business on a 50-50 basis and he accepted. Fell in love with her and they were married at Bakersfield, on Dec. 29, 1921. He and his wife came to Tonopah on March 1, this year, and lived at the Capitol rooming house for two weeks, later renting the Globe, and he formed a partnership with Wallace Williams. Stated he and Williams never had any trouble. Said Williams and Rios were continually getting into trouble, generally about the socialists and I. W. W., of which Rios was a champion. The two men would get ready to fight frequently, but witness would separate them.

TRACE IS LOST OF HOLDUPS IN GREAT ROBBERY

Federal, County and City Officers at Denver Fail to Find Any Clues

HEAVY REWARD IS OFFERED It is Not Believed That Robbery Was Committed by Professional Robbers

DENVER, Dec. 19.—Eighteen hours of searching by Federal, county and city officers and the questioning of 16 persons at police headquarters, had failed up to early today to reveal any trace of the identity of the bandits who yesterday robbed the Federal Reserve bank truck of \$200,000 after a gun battle in front of the United States mint in which Charles T. Linton, one of the guards, was fatally wounded.

The city and county of Denver has offered a reward of \$10,000 for the capture, dead or alive, of the bandits. Chief of Police Williams is still of the opinion that the men who committed the robbery are not professional bandits, and informed the Associated Press he was conducting his search along that line. He believes the robbers have not left Denver. Last night and during the early hours today the police made a thorough search of rooming houses and small hotels and there was general checking up of all characters known to the police.

MUCH ACTIVITY NOW MANIFEST OLD REPUBLIC

It is Reported that Operations Will Shortly Be Resumed on Orizaba Mine

There is a great deal of activity in the old Republic district situated northwest of Tonopah and resumption of work on a number of promising properties has already been started or will be started in the near future. It is reported upon very good authority that Wier Brothers of New York City, who are in control of the Orizaba mine, are making arrangements for the installation of a heavier plant of machinery in order that the water encountered previous to the closing down of the property may be handled successfully and economically. This mine was a good producer of good grade ore for quite a long period, the product having been hauled to Millers and from there shipped to Hazen.

John Hyland, owner of the Gold Exchange group of seven claims, left Monday for the district and resume development. Operations are to be prosecuted through the 200-foot shaft that has been sunk on Gold Exchange No. 1 claim. At the 200-foot point a ledge having a width of 20 feet is exposed, the ore being of a low grade, but adaptable to milling. Sinking at this point was discontinued owing to a flow of water having been encountered, but this does not interfere with drifting.

Lew Miller and William Young are prosecuting work on their claims which adjoin the Orizaba mine, and they have a shaft down to a depth of 100 feet with a fair showing of ore in evidence.

AIR MAIL PILOT FOUND MAROONED IN DEEP SNOW

Salt Laker Discovered to Be Alive and Well at Ranch Near Rock Springs

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 19.—Air Mail Pilot Henry G. Boonstra, missing since last Friday morning when he became lost in a blizzard en route to Rock Springs, Wyo., has been found alive and well at Rigby Ranch, four miles of where the wrecked plane was discovered late yesterday, according to advises received by air mail officials. He had been marooned at the ranch by deep snow.

GOLDEN EAGLE LEASE MAKING FINE SHOWING

Canadian Leasing Company Has Resumed Ore Extraction and Shipments to Sart

Work is again going forward at the lease of the Canadian Leasing company on the Golden Eagle claim at Royston after two weeks spent in making repairs to buildings and in preparing for the winter campaign of development. It is expected to have another shipment of high grade ore ready for market within a comparatively short time. Operations are being prosecuted to the south of the 53-foot level of the incline shaft, and a body of ore having a width of from four to seven feet is exposed that is expected to mill better than \$100 a ton.

The showing on this ground, which was formerly known as the Betts lease, is reported to be superior to that of over a year ago when Royston sprang into the limelight, and the camp enjoyed a mushroom growth for several months.

MURDER POLISH PRESIDENT IS DEEP MYSTERY

Searches and Arrests Among Nationalists and Many Are Being Investigated

WARSAW, Dec. 19.—The government in efforts to determine whether a plot existed for the murder of President Narutowicz is continuing the searches and arrests among nationalists and many high officers and officials have been arrested or dismissed. Extraordinary precautions against possible disorders are being taken here and in the mining regions.

TONOPAH PEOPLE ARE AWARDED ESSAY PRIZES

Three Tonopah people were awarded prizes in the essay contest conducted by the M. J. Bandenstein company upon the subject, "Why M. J. B. in the Quality Coffee of America." Mrs. Clori Succetti Spiers was awarded second prize of \$75 cash; Mrs. J. M. Wigglesworth was awarded tenth prize of sixth pounds of M. J. B. coffee. The first prize of \$200 cash was awarded to Mrs. L. A. Styles of Fallon.

FASCISTI ARE MOBILIZED TO FIGHT ENEMY

Ten Deaths Have Already Resulted and Ambushing Parties Are Much in Evidence

PUNISHMENTS ARE INFLICTED Judgment Rendered According to Relative Guilty of All Communists Arrested

TURIN, Dec. 19.—Renewed conflicts between the Fascisti and Communists here have resulted in the killing of ten persons including two Fascisti.

Not long ago the local Communists resumed an openly hostile attitude toward the Fascisti. Yesterday two Fascisti parties were ambushed, one man killed and several wounded. The Fascisti thereupon mobilized, attacked the chamber of labor and stormed or set fire to the headquarters of other than subversive organizations, inflicting punishments according to what they judged would be relative guilt of Communists. The punishments administered by the Fascisti included clubbing and giving doses of nauseous medicine.

VETS RECEIVE INCREASED PAY BY THIS BILL

Widows and Nurses Would Also Benefit if Christmas Measure Enacted

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Veterans of the Civil war, veterans' widows and Civil war nurses, probably will receive Christmas present from the government in the form of increased pensions as a result of an agreement reached by the conferees on the Bursum pension bill. The pensions of veterans are to be increased under the measure from \$50 to \$72 a month for widows and the nurses pensions from \$30 to \$50.

PEACE TREATY READY

LASSAUNE, Dec. 19.—It was reported here that a complete draft of the peace treaty drawn up as a result of the deliberations of the far east conference would be presented to the Turks Saturday.

Butler Theater Today

BUTLER THEATER TODAY MARION DAVIES in "THE YOUNG DIANA" From Marie Corelli's startling novel. How to be young and beautiful always—this strange, fascinating romance by one of the world's greatest writers will tell you. Topics of the Day and Aeopos Fables. TOMORROW Buck Jones in "WEST OF CHICAGO" and Two-reel Christie comedy, "SISTER SUSIE"

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Local observer	United
States weather bureau:	
Temperatures 5 a.m. Noon	
Current	33 30
Wet bulb	32 35
Relative humidity	87 70
Temperatures, Extreme	
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Maximum yesterday	44 34
Minimum yesterday	31 21